

Case No. 24-2583

In the United States Court of Appeals
for the Ninth Circuit

STEVEN RUPP; STEVEN DEMBER; CHERYL JOHNSON, MICHAEL JONES, CHRISTOPHER
SEIFERT, ALFONSO VALENCIA, TROY WILLIS, AND CALIFORNIA RIFLE & PISTOL
ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED,
Plaintiffs-Appellants,

V.

ROB BONTA,
IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
Defendant-Appellee.

On Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Central District of California
Case No. 8:17-cv-00746-JLS-JDE

JOINT STATUS REPORT

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On June 7, 2024, the Court stayed proceedings in this matter and ordered the parties to file regular status reports regarding *Duncan v. Bonta*, No. 23-55805, which was then pending before an en banc panel of this Court, as well as a status report within seven days of the case's resolution (see Docket Entry No. 5).

The Court issued its opinion in *Duncan v. Bonta* on March 20, 2025, upholding a California law banning the possession of large-capacity magazines under the Second Amendment. On March 27, 2025, the parties filed a Joint Status Report informing the Court of the opinion issued in *Duncan* (see Docket Entry No. 15.1).

Since the filing of that report, the plaintiffs-appellees in the *Duncan* matter moved for, and this Court granted, a partial stay of the issuance of the mandate. *Duncan v. Bonta*, Case No. 23-55805 (9th Cir. April 10, 2025), ECF No. 94. That stay remains in effect for 90 days from the date of that order or, if a petition for certiorari is filed, "until final disposition of the matter by the Supreme Court." *Id.* On August 15, 2025, the *Duncan* plaintiffs filed a petition for certiorari in the Supreme Court; the case was docketed on August 19, 2025. That petition is pending.

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